

The Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the City Council

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1891

Hon. John McDonald, Mayor, presiding

Roll call. Present - Aldermen Bartlett, Jackson, Nitschke, Phillips, Platt, Schubert, Wingfield, Ziller - 8

Absent - Aldermen Anderson, Asmann, Glass, Graham, Hume, Linn, Morris, Newton, North, Schneider, Sutton, Townsends - 12.

Alderman Ziller moved a call of the Council, which was duly adopted.

Alderman Ziller then moved that the Council take a recess of ten minutes. Adopted.

Second roll call. Present - Aldermen Anderson, Bartlett, Glass, Graham, Jackson, Linn, Nitschke, Phillips, Platt, Schubert, Townsends, Wingfield, Ziller - 13.

Absent - Aldermen Asmann, Hume, Morris, Newton, North, Schneider Sutton - 7.

Alderman Linn moved to suspend the call. Carried.

Alderman Bartlett moved a call of the Council, which was lost by a rising vote of 4 to 8.

Alderman Schubert moved to amend the minutes of the meeting of the City Council which was held on the 2nd day of March, 1891, so as to show that it was a resolution instead of an ordinance that he introduced relative to gas lights.

The amendment was adopted, and the minutes were adopted as amended.

The minutes of the meetings of the City Council, which were held on the 3rd and 4th days of March, 1891, were adopted as printed.

Alderman Phillips moved to excuse Alderman Asmann, which was agreed to.

Alderman Schneider entered the Council and announced to his name.

On the recommendation of the Mayor the Council remitted the fine and costs assessed in the recorder's court against Jesse Prine and N. S. Lubbock.

Reports of the City Clerk of warrants issued during the month of February, 1891.

Assess against the general fund - 14,700.98

Assess against the water and light funds. 28,655.17

Referred to the Finance Committee.

The Police Committee presented reports on the Marshal's reports for the months of December, 1890, and January and February, 1891, which state that the Marshal's reports were examined and found correct.

The Police Committee, to whom was referred a

Roll

Roll

Call of Council

Recess

Roll

Called

Call Susp'd

Call. Lost

Minutes March 2/91 amended

Gas lights

Minutes adopted

Minutes March 3rd adopted.

Asmann excused

Ald. Schneider

Jesse Prine

N. S. Lubbock

Report City Clerk

G. F. \$ 14,700.98

W. S. 28,655.17

Report Police Committee

Marshal's reports

Examined and found correct

Police Commissioner's Report on drilling on East Avenue

Petition of citizens protesting against a military company drilling near East Avenue and Sixth Street presented a report thereon, which states that the committee "do not think that such a state of facts exist as would warrant the City Council to prohibit said military company from drilling, and therefore recommends that the said petition be not granted. Adopted.

Sanitary Committee asking time to report

Alderman Ziller, for the sanitary committee, requested further time in which to prepare a report relative to a new cemetery. Granted.

Mayor's Message

The Mayor submitted the following message:

Austin, Texas, March 14, 1891.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: I deem it my duty to call your attention to the state of the finances of the city, in order that you may be better prepared to act upon the various appropriations that you may be called upon to make.

A careful estimate of the revenue, from all sources, for this year, yet to be collected, amounts to \$67,850, and there is now \$2,100 in the City Treasury, which makes a total amount of resources for the remainder of the year to be \$69,950.

The estimated ordinary expenses of the city for the remainder of the year, together with the appropriations already made, amount to \$60,692, which leaves a balance of \$9,258 to cover extra work on the streets and extraordinary expenses.

The appropriation made some time ago for the small poor hospital, is exhausted, and I have to request you to make an additional appropriation of \$1,000 for the same purpose.

Respectfully,

John McDonald, Mayor

Revenues. O.H. 2,100 Collectible 67,850 Total 69,950

Expenses. Estimated 60,692 balance 9,258 Total 69,950

Small Poor Hospital \$1,000. asked for

Ald. Carleton Refers message to the Council

Alderman Carleton moved to refer the message to the Finance Committee. Carried.

Ald. Schuber 90. for City Warehouse

Alderman Schuber introduced an ordinance appropriating ninety dollars for repairing roof of City Hall and market sheds.

Alderman Sutton entered the Council and assumed to his name.

The above named ordinance was read the first time, after which motions were made to sustain the rules and place the same on its second and third readings, both of which were adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the whole Council. The ordinance was accordingly read, and, on motion passed.

Alderman Carleton presented an ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance, to amend article 118 of the revised

Adopted

Ald. Carleton Amends art. 118

Special ordinances of the city of Austin." It was read the first time; after which motions were made to suspend the rules and place the same on its second and third readings, both of which were adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the whole council. The ordinance was then accordingly read, and, on motion passed.

Amended

The amendment makes it unlawful for any person, other than the owner, to disturb or remove from any ground or lot in any of the cemeteries in this city, any flowers.

Cemeteries removed flowers from ground

Ald. Bartlett Amends Art. 96

Alderman Bartlett, also introduced an ordinance entitled: "An ordinance to be entitled an ordinance to amend article 96 of the revised special ordinances of the city of Austin."

Amended

It was read the first time; after which motions were made to suspend the rules and place the same on its second and third readings, both of which were adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the whole council.

The ordinance was then accordingly read, and on motion passed.

Auctioneers to be licensed

The amendment requires all auctioneers to be duly licensed, and permits the sale of animals at auction on any of the streets of the city except Congress Avenue and Sixth Street.

Adjourned

The Council then adjourned
Milton Morris,
City Clerk.